

# THE NEWS AND GOSSIP OF THE DAY IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS

## PRESENT SEASON SHOULD BE BEST TRACK HAS HAD

Benning First Three Days Offer Brilliant Future Prospect.

## 2-YEAR-OLDS DO WELL

Jockeys Ride in Good Form. Great Races Last Saturday Afternoon.

The first three days of the meeting at Benning proved successful in every way. True, the cards offered have not been of the best, but the racing every day has been surprisingly good, and it may be expected to improve as the meeting progresses. Even on Friday, when the small number of horses entered in the various events gave to the program a cut-and-dried look, the racing turned out to be exceedingly interesting.

### Better Entries Coming.

The coming week will doubtless provide much better racing, and as the owners and trainers have had an opportunity to get a line on the performance of other horses and the condition of the track, they will probably not be so backward in entering their runners. The program for the week contains no stake events, unless the Spring Hunters' Steeplechase, which will be run on Saturday. The race is similar to the Chevy Chase Handicap, but professional riders will be permitted to measure ability with the gentlemen.

### Interest in Youngsters.

Whereas but three days' racing has been seen, the sport has given horsemen a chance to judge somewhat of the merits of the horses and jockeys. Naturally the most interest is centered in the youngsters, and while so far there have been no sensational performers disclosed, it is probable that in the three baby races that have been run there will prove decidedly useful to the line. The winners, Modredlaw, Dr. Swartz, and Philpotts, are all good-looking colts with at least as much promise as Race King, a two-year-old which surprised his trainer last spring and turned out to be one of the best of the season's crop.

### Burns Most Successful.

Jockey Burns has been the most successful rider, having three victories to his credit. The other winning jockeys were Redfern, H. Phillips, E. Walsh, McCormack, Wonderly, Wade, McCue, Shaw, McCarty, O'Brien, and O'Phelan. Phillips, McCormack, McCue, and Shaw attracted most attention among the riders, for the racing public has not had much opportunity to see them in the saddle. Phillips' performances were good, and it is more than likely that he will turn out to be a crack, while Shaw and McCue have shown that they are back to the best form. McCormack was the best of the three-year-olds, and he may turn out to be a good one.

### Social Lights Attracted.

Saturday naturally was the best day, despite the gloomy weather. An unusually large crowd was on hand, and society folk lent their presence to the occasion in numbers. It is doubtful if there was ever present at a local track more distinguished gathering of diplomats and persons prominent in social life. The clubhouse and lawn were alive with men and women, all intent upon witnessing the running of the Chevy Chase Handicap, which, to them, was the one big racing event of the season.

It was not a disappointing race in any way, although the very bad performance of Clarence Moore's representative, Monty, and the fact that he was made favorite in the betting, was a severe blow to a large number of the clubhouse contingent who wager their money on the race.

### Millionaire Risks Life.

It is not often that Benning patrons of racing can see a multimillionaire risk his life in a jumping race, but in the Chevy Chase race P. Ambrose Clark, a young New York clubman, who is several times a millionaire, was on Mr. Wetmore's chestnut mare La Touraine, and he was probably given more applause than any rider in the race for his plucky display of nerve in holding on to the reins of his mare after she had fallen, remounting, and getting on La Touraine out of compliment to Mr. Wetmore, and came from New York for the express purpose of riding.

### Twilight Better Jumper.

As to the race, Twilight proved the winner solely because he was the better jumper, and had Mr. Kerr's Lepida been able to negotiate the fences as well as Twilight she would very likely have been returned the winner. Mr. Kerr rode her faultlessly and showed much pluck in remaining in the saddle after he had nearly taken a tumble and lost one of his stirrups.

### The Other Six Races on Saturday's Program Were Interesting, and the fourth in particular furnished much excitement in this event Lord Melbourne, who came from California, was given the race, but to many it appeared that Meisterstinger had pulled the strings.

### Many persons who bet on the latter were not inclined to accept the decision of the judges, with good reason, and there was much hissing and muttered protests from the crowd.

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## WONDERLY, REDFERN, AND H. MICHAELS.



The opening race on Saturday was won by Wonderly on Sais. Redfern led all the jockeys last year in the percentage of winning mounts. H. Michaels has been riding at Benning for several years.

## Benning Predictions For This Afternoon

Sadducee Strong in First Race, Red Ruler, Conkling, Meistersinger, Charley Moore, Mammon.

This afternoon's card is a good one, though there are not many horses of class among the entries. Many new runners are making their appearance, and the winners will be hard to pick. In the first, old Sadducee appears to have a little the best of his opponents. This horse was almost a crack as a two-year-old, but he became windbroken, and did not live up to his early promise. Still, he has much speed, and ought to win with Setauket, always an early horse, and Alpaca in the places.

### In the two-year-old race, second on the card, Red Ruler will run some, and may win.

### Conkling Looks Good.

Conkling's performance on the opening day of the meeting was good enough to make him win the third event, while Briarhorpe and Spring may be the runners up.

Meistersinger, if he repeats his race of Saturday, ought to capture the fourth race, despite his top weight, while Tugal Bey may be expected to show a better performance than he did the last time out. Early Eve may be third.

Old Charley Moore has been working fairly well, and he may prove the winner of the fifth, with Pipe second, and Blue Victor third.

The last should go to Mammon, with Mohican and Gay in the places.

The entries for today are:

First race—Selling; three-year-olds and upward; five and one-half furlongs. Andrus, 99; Athlana, 99; Lillarity, 101; Chicle, 101; High Heels, 84; Congress, 86; Maru, 89; Setauket, 114; Elom, 105; Worry, 99; Alpaca, 87; Sadducee, 105; P. H. Sheppard, 91; Lorian, 91; Adel Trebia, 96; Orloff, 102; Julia M., 96; Brotherhood, 84; Mr. Pickwick, 100; Mary Ann, 85; Bashful, 92.

Second race—Three-year-olds; six furlongs. Spring, 101; Blush, 88; Tol San, 96; Briarhorpe, 98; Conkling, 101; Moonson, 96.

Fourth race—Selling, three-year-olds and upward; seven furlongs. Annie Grace, 101; Tugal Bay, 110; Thorneycroft, 114; Breakneck, 104; Pittacus, 105; Nellie Forrester, 105; Punctual, 105; Meisterstinger, 117; Locket, 112; Alline Abbott, 99; Ninepot, 99; Red Light, 90; Early Eve, 113; O'Hagen, 109; Millard Love, 107.

Fifth race—Selling, four-year-olds and upward; six and one-half furlongs. Ben Battle, 107; Sweet Jane, 105; Iridescent, 110; Pipe, 107; Untereck, 105; Love Note, 105; Kite, 106; Jessie Lynn, 109; Erda, 109; Blue Victor, 107; Charley Moore, 107; Boney Boy, 107.

Sixth race—Maidens, three-year-olds and upward; one mile and forty yards. Cay, 99; Mohican, 92; Mr. Churchill, 112; Mammon, 88; Tireless, 112; Clarence, 92; Lady Tarragon, 106; Falmouth, 112.

## Timely Gossip of Paddock And Stable at Benning

Jockey Wonderly has shown much improvement in the saddle this season, and if his performances at Benning show his real form, he will prove to be a better rider this season than he was last year. Redfern, too, has begun the season well, and may occupy the same position at the head of the list that he did last year. H. Michaels is a boy that has a good prospect ahead of him.

The Montgomery Handicap will be run at Memphis this afternoon, and much interest in the outcome is manifested by horsemen at Benning. It is thought by many that Conjuror and McGee will be there or thereabouts when the wire is reached. Witful and her stable companions will probably be the favorites, with Little Scout second choice.

Gwynn Tompkins was at the track on Saturday to witness the two steeplechases. He could not be induced to remain in the hospital, and although unable to move about actively, he looked at the races from an automobile in the clubhouse enclosure. Mr. Tompkins will probably be out in a week to resume active operations with his horses.

Jockey George Thompson has engaged to ride the horses of John E. Madden at the Benning meeting, and will give A. A. Asté second call on his services. Thompson is the boy who has been riding successfully abroad. He will ride as a free lance in this country this season. His only appearance at Benning, so far, was on the opening day, as he incurred the displeasure of Starter Cassidy, and was set down for two days. Walsh was also put down, both boys will be in the saddle today, while Hennessy will be missing until Wednesday.

It has leaked out that John D. Hooe was the gentleman who donated the three mugs to the owner, trainer, and rider of the winning horse in the first steeplechase of the season. Mr. Hooe won the race with his own horse, Gum Honey.

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## WORLD'S RECORDS FOR GEORGETOWN

Blue and Gray Again Sets New Marks.

## GREAT RELAY PERFORMANCE

Varsity Team Clipped 2 1-5 Seconds Off Mile Figures at St. Louis—All Crack Athletes.

Interest in track athletics has been greatly increased at Georgetown University since Saturday night, when the Georgetown relay team and McCarthy each established new world's records at the indoor games of St. Louis University, in the Mound City. It was not decided to send a team over to St. Louis until Thursday, and it was thought the four was not in good enough condition to win from the University of Illinois, as last which it was pitted.

The victory came in the nature of a surprise and was all the more gratifying because two more world's records go to Georgetown. The records held by the Blue and Gray are: Arthur Duffey, 100 yards; relay team, one mile; McCarthy, 50 yards indoors, and Reilly, 220 yards indoors. Singularly enough, three of these four marks were lowered at the indoor meets of St. Louis University, Joe Reilly last season breaking the record for 220 yards.

### Mulligan a Hero.

The relay team went the mile in 2:28 4-5. The old mark, 2:31, was held by Notre Dame. In his heat in the 50-yard handicap dash Mulligan clipped a fifth of a second off the old mark, running the distance in 52 1-2 seconds. He did not finish in the money in the finals, however, Draper, of Notre Dame, winning in 52 3-8 seconds from the one-yard line.

The performance of the Georgetown relay team was easily the most creditable of the evening, and its record will probably stand for some years to come. Preston Edmonston, who ran the first quarter, is running his third year on the team. He was sick at the time of the Boston Athletic Association's meet last year, when he entered Georgetown last fall. He ran on the varsity relay against the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and easily defeated the Quaker Textile College at the Philadelphia A. A. meet. He is also a football player.

Charlie McCarthy, who ran the second quarter, is a senior at the Brown Preparatory High School. He gained a reputation as a football player in the Boston interscholastic league, and made the varsity eleven when he entered Georgetown last fall. He ran on the varsity relay against the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Yale.

### Reilly a Wonder.

James Mulligan, the freshman who ran the third last night, prepared for Georgetown at the Brown Preparatory High School, when he was a member of the world's record-holding five-man relay team. He is a brother of the captain of the Georgetown field and track squad of 1933.

Joe Reilly, 1904, captain, is the fastest man on the four. He was captain of last year's eleven, and has distinguished himself having won his G in football, baseball, and rowing.

## THE FARREN-JONES BOUT THURSDAY

Baltimore Bantam to Meet Husky Philadelphian—Fought Once Before and Jones Won.

"Jimmy" Farren, the champion bantamweight of Baltimore, has been matched to box Griff Jones, of Philadelphia, fifteen rounds Thursday night at Germania Maennerchor Hall.

Farren has established for himself a good reputation not only in Baltimore but also out of the city by his excellent work with boys in his class. He has made many boys quit that were pounds heavier than he. In going up against Jones, Farren is aware that he will meet one of the best at his weight in the country. He is one of the few good boxers of today that can make the real legitimate bantamweight limit.

Old Brisk, who has been a figure at the Benning races for many years past, will be loaned to the race track. His owner, James Sennet, concluded after his races last fall that the gelding had outlived his usefulness and gave him away.

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## EDMONSTON.



Captain of the fast Georgetown Law School relay team. He ran first quarter for the varsity team, which broke the world's record for a mile, at the St. Louis University games. Edmonston played fullback on the 1932 Georgetown football team, and is recognized as a good all-round athlete.

## WASHINGTON MEN WIN FROM PHILADELPHIA

The Washington team played its last series of the season in the Plate Printers' League on Saturday night and defeated the strong Philadelphia team in two games of the three bowled. The feature was the spare bowling of Elam.

The scores:

Washington.	1st.	2d.	3d.
Morrison	175	127	163
Shaffer	188	129	161
Elam	175	138	147
Donohue	172	118	167
Johnson	180	174	128
Totals	890	677	706

Philadelphia.	1st.	2d.	3d.
Herbert	130	143	127
Watt	122	120	161
Plutch	140	130	112
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Lord	165	169	152
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## VILLA NOVA PLAYS GEORGETOWN TODAY

Visitors Defeated Virginia on Saturday by a 2 to 0—Three New Players to Appear.

Georgetown and Villa Nova play this afternoon at 4 o'clock on Georgetown field. For several years the Pennsylvanians have given the Blue and Gray a hard struggle.

This year the visitors have an unusually good team, as was shown by their victory over Virginia Saturday. Because of the breach of athletic relations, Georgetown and Virginia will not meet this season, so the only way in which to get a line on the relative strength of the two teams will be by comparing scores.

There will be three new players in the Georgetown line-up today. Hart, last fall's football captain, who did not play in the Maryland Agricultural game because of sickness, will do the catching. Crumley, the pitcher, will be tried in right field, while Connors, the 1932 first baseman, who was kept out of the game last season because of scholarship, will play center field.

The teams will line up as follows: Georgetown—Hart, catcher; Titus, Seitz, Drill, pitchers; Dowling, first base; McGittigan, second base; Dorman, shortstop; Morgan, third base; Apperious, left field; Connor, center field; Crumley, right field. Villa Nova—Sullivan, catcher; Garra, pitcher; McGrehan, first base; Nicols, second base; Gastmeyer, shortstop; Brennan, third base; Murray, left field; Crane, center field; Raftis, right field.

## ANOTHER AUSTRALIAN CHAMPION ARRIVES

J. Cooke, an Australian champion pugilist, at 148 pounds, has arrived in this country fresh from a series of triumphs in England. On the other side he whipped, among others, Pat Daly, Charles Knox, Andy Watson, and Tom Woodley. The last named is the man who defeated Eddie Connelly. Cooke will be in charge of Sol Bernstein until the latter goes abroad in about a month to fight Ben Jordan.

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